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## IIHF slams Crosby for skipping worlds

**SID THE KID** Hockey Canada has come out in defence of Cole Harbour's Sidney Crosby after the International Ice Hockey Federation included him in a swipe at players who declined invitations to attend the world hockey championship.

The IIHF posted a story titled "Saying No to Your Country" on its website yesterday, claiming



Sidney Crosby

players who chose not to participate were turning "their backs not only on the team and its fans but also to the system which developed them and made them rich and famous."

"Why is a 22-year-old Sidney Crosby tired when a 34-year-old Ryan Smyth is answering the bell for his country despite having represented Canada at the worlds already on eight occasions?" said IIHF communications director Szymon Szemberg, who wrote the story.

Scott Salmond, the men's national team director for Hockey Canada, called the story "inappropriate." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Halifax Mooseheads, from left, Garrett Clarke, Gabriel Desjardins, Bradley MacDonald, Andrew Wigginton and Gerrad Grant strut their stuff in high heels at the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes fundraiser for the YWCA Halifax at Scotia Square yesterday.

# Getting pumped

About 60 men don high heels in support of YWCA shelter

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**"Last year I had a lovely set of low pumps. This year I had the stiletto heels, little harder on the toes."**

HRP Supt. Bill Moore

**Some strutted confidently, others waddled in bow-legged discomfort, but at least no one fell.**

Yesterday's Walk a Mile in Her Shoes fundraiser gave men the opportunity — or the excuse, according to some snickering observers — to swagger through Scotia Square mall in Halifax wearing specially designed high-heeled shoes for men.

Several members of the Halifax Mooseheads were amongst the 60 or so fundraisers. They won't be switching to high-heeled skates anytime soon.

"It was good at first, but

your feet get a little bit tired out," said defenceman Garrett Clarke.

"I'm struggling now. I don't understand why they even wear them. I just wear sneakers."

The event was able to lure a wide array of volunteers, from businessmen to musicians to police officers.

Halifax Regional Police Supt. Bill Moore was a veteran, taking part for the second time.

"Last year I had a lovely set of low pumps. This year I had the stiletto heels, lit-

tle harder on the toes," he said, pausing.

"I'm a little worried about next year."

While fundraising totals weren't initially known, volunteers were ecstatic with the turnout. Three men even brought their own shoes.

The proceeds go towards the YWCA's Turning Point shelter programs. Each participant had the goal of raising \$500, which is about what it costs to shelter each woman per month.

"It's a very meaningful

and direct connection between men stepping up for women and supporting women in our housing programs," said YWCA Halifax executive director Tanis Crosby.

Crosby said the event, now in its third year, keeps growing each time. That means more money for the charity and, in some cases, more self-esteem for the participants.

"I feel good," said Nova Scotia Power spokesman David Rodenhiser, who accessorized by rummaging through his wife's closet for a pink cowboy hat and feathery boa.

"I feel a little taller, standing up straight, my ass looks great. It's a pretty good look."

## Mom can't understand why son was abandoned after crash

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**COLLISION** David Julien's mother says she doesn't understand why his son's friends left him unconscious in the back seat of a car after it crashed into a power pole.

"I don't blame them for David being with them in the car — that was his choice," Laurel Cameron told CBC News yesterday about the fatal accident that claimed her 15-year-old's son life.

"I am having a very hard time understanding why they left him."

Matthew Lesley Grimm and Thomas Glen Dixon, both of Cole Harbour, are charged in relation to the crash on Cranberry Crescent in Dartmouth around 10 p.m. on Sunday.

Grimm, who police say was behind the wheel of the white Honda Accord that sped out of control and slammed into the pole, is charged with dangerous operation of a motor vehicle causing death, two counts of breach of an undertaking and one count of breach of probation.

Dixon is facing one charge of breach of an undertaking.

Witnesses say after the crash, the driver and other passenger took off running from the vehicle while Julien, who wasn't wearing a seatbelt, was unconscious in the back seat.

The Dartmouth resident and Grade 10 student at Prince Andrew High School died at the scene. Grimm and Dixon turned themselves into police just before noon on Monday.

Police say speed and alcohol were factors in the crash.

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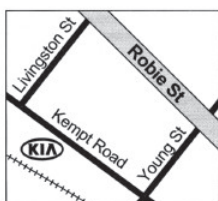


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## Tickets to tickle your funny bone

Tickets are still available to see funny man Bill Cosby, left, take to the stage in Halifax tomorrow night. One of the funniest men ever on the small screen, the star of the hit TV sitcom *The Cosby Show* is performing two shows at the Schooner Room inside Casino Nova Scotia at 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets are \$71 and \$81 and are available at all Ticket Atlantic outlets, online at [ticketatlantic.com](http://ticketatlantic.com) or by phone at 451-1221.

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## Zinck not available to talk: Secretary

**MLA** Independent MLA Trevor Zinck is "booked solid" for two weeks and will not be talking to reporters.

Zinck has avoided speaking to the media since Tuesday, when Nova Scotia auditor general Jacques Lapointe revealed RCMP are investigating five provincial politicians for alleged illegal acts.

One of those five is currently a sitting MLA. Leaders of all three political parties insisted Tuesday no one in their caucus is the sitting MLA police are investigating.

Zinck was in meetings all day Tuesday and wouldn't come out to speak to reporters.

Yesterday, his Dartmouth North office was also busy, with various constituents waiting to speak to the independent MLA.

His secretary told Metro that Zinck is "booked solid" with constituent work for at least the next two weeks and will not be available.

PAUL MCLEOD/METRO HALIFAX



Trevor Zinck

## Royal absence no deterrent

Tattoo to open with tribute to Queen despite cancelled visit

**Even though she's not coming, the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo will open with a tribute to Queen Elizabeth II.**

The tattoo launched its 2010 lineup at a press conference in Halifax yesterday. Ian Fraser, the show's artistic director, said a special musical arrangement written for the Queen's possible presence will open the show.

Concerns over the 83-year-old Queen climbing stairs to the stage were raised by the show's organizers in March. Although the Queen's staff said she could handle it, her appearance was cancelled weeks ago.

"It's enormously disappointing to us," Fraser said in an interview yesterday.

"But we thought she's coming to Nova Scotia and we'll do something for her, so the people attending the show will be able to get a sense of what would have happened had she been here."

Details of the Queen's visit this summer were released by the province yesterday. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will be in Halifax June 28-30.

Provincial staff are working on a schedule of events for the Queen while she's here to mark the navy's centennial. A spokeswoman for the premier's office said they will be releasing the schedule soon and will post it at [gov.ns.ca/royalvisit](http://gov.ns.ca/royalvisit).



The Hamburg Police Motorcycle Team performs in this file photo from last year's Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo. Tattoo organizers held the media launch for the 2010 Tattoo yesterday.

### Among the 2010 Tattoo performers

- Paris Fire Brigade Gymnastics team
- Flying Grandpas and a drill team from Germany
- Band of America's Few from the U.S. Marines
- Club Piruett from Estonia
- Juliana Bicycle team from the Netherlands
- Ashelin, a musical group from Newfoundland
- The RCMP's ceremonial troop
- Navy display team
- Plus numerous other choirs, dancers and gymnasts

Even without a royal presence, Fraser is promising a stellar show this year, the tattoo's 30th.

French and Australian television crews will be broadcasting the show to more than 20 countries, Fraser

announced.

"This is an amazing amount of coverage for the tattoo and it's the first, to my knowledge, for any Canadian production," he said. "This will be an incredible benefit not only to the



Queen Elizabeth II

tattoo but to the province in stimulating tourism."

The two themes of this year's show are the navy's centennial and 65th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

Performers and musicians from all over Canada, as well as Belgium, Estonia, France, Germany, the U.S., the U.K. and the Netherlands, will contribute.

JENNIFER TAPLIN/METRO HALIFAX

## Thieves strike NSP properties

**CRIME** A group of thieves is targeting Nova Scotia Power properties.

In the past month there were six thefts from NSP compounds in Lower Sackville, Lakeside and Westphal. An office in Lakeside was also hit and five laptops were stolen.

"We do believe it's possibly the same people who are breaking into Nova Scotia Power," said RCMP spokesman Cpl. Joe Taplin.

The thieves are striking at night by cutting the fence and having a vehicle waiting outside to haul heavy items like a gas-powered drill, chainsaws, tool chests and hundreds of pounds of copper wire.

David Rodenhiser, Nova Scotia Power spokesman, said each robbery meant thousands of dollars of lost supplies and equipment.

"At Lakeside, trucks belonging to Emera Utility Services (a sister company owned by Emera) were vandalized," Rodenhiser wrote in an email.

"We have our own team of security investigators who work with police on these (thefts)," he added.

"The thefts appear to have been committed by the same group, so the RCMP has appointed an officer to handle all the files, which our investigators think is the right approach."

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## Beaver Bank man charged after police discover Taser in vehicle

**CRIME** Police say they found a Taser disguised as a cellphone in the car of a 19-year-old male in Spryfield early yesterday.

Police say they pulled the young man over in the 300 block of Herring Cove Road because his vehicle didn't have visible licence plates.

Upon further inspection, they say bear spray was also found inside the vehicle.

The driver, who is from Beaver Bank, was arrested

and charged with two counts of possession of a prohibited weapon. He was to appear in court yesterday.

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Nova Scotia has sent 55 representatives to the Canadian Skills Competition that began yesterday and runs through Sunday in Waterloo, Ont. More than 550 skilled tradesmen from across the country are participating in the competition with over 40 different events taking place. **METRO HALIFAX**

## Kick your 'treasures' to the curb

Weekend in June set aside so people can circulate 'reusables'

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**If you love free stuff, get ready to cruise the streets of HRM for some finds.**

The municipality is promoting a Curbside Give Away Weekend on June 5 to 6.

"We're encouraging people to take their reusable items and place them

curbside and we're asking them to place a sign on it that says they're free," said Shannon Betts with HRM's Solid Waste Resources department.

The free sign ensures people aren't taking things that aren't intended to be picked up, she added.

"You can leave items out there for the course of the weekend and if anything

is not picked up by Sunday evening bring it back in." At that point, Betts said she hopes people will donate those items to charities.

It's the first such event in the HRM but it's an idea that comes from similar successful activities in Winnipeg and Ottawa.

The goal is to divert some of these "treasures" from landfills.

"Sometimes people, if they're finished with it, they put it in the garbage and it doesn't get a chance to be reused. We're hoping this will help extend the life of some of those reusable items."

Examples of the reusable items she's talking about include: Books, furniture, appliances, sporting equipment, patio chairs, and clothing.

## Popular eatery 'more hip' in rebirth: Owner

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**REOPENING** A popular downtown Halifax restaurant forced to closed because of extensive damage from a massive fire in January reopened its doors yesterday.

But those expecting to find Café Chianti at its old location, think again.

After 21 years on the corner of South and Hollis streets, the restaurant reopened yesterday at its new location at 1241 Barrington St.

Owner Jan Wicha said the decision to move came down to the fact the owners of the South Street apartment building he rented his restaurant from still hadn't made the necessary repairs for him to reopen following

### January blaze

• The Jan. 12 blaze in the 130-year-old building left people living in 18 apartments homeless and the three restaurants below the units — including Café Chianti — closed indefinitely.

the fire.

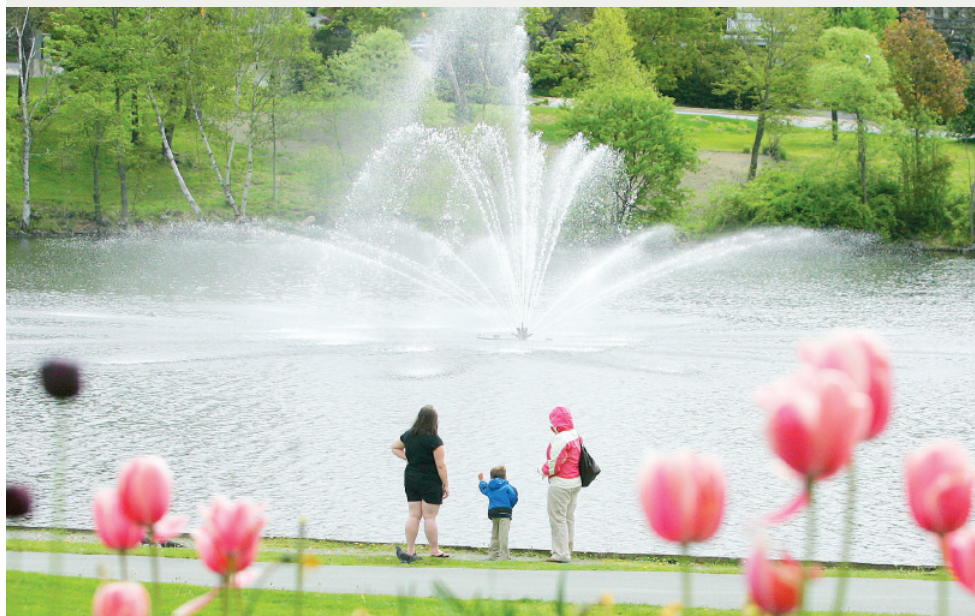
"Basically we were forced to make a decision to find another spot," Wicha said.

"We wanted to stay at the old location, but couldn't wait any longer."

Wicha said its new location will offer a similar menu from the old spot, and will see many of the same 25 staff members back.

"We're hoping to attract an even younger clientele," Wicha said. "It's a more hip place."

## Dartmouth Spring at Sullivan's Pond



A family enjoys the morning at Sullivan's Pond in Dartmouth yesterday. Today's forecast calls for another day of cloudy weather but the weekend forecast is calling for mostly sunny skies.

## 14 vehicles in Cole Harbour, Timberlea broken into Monday

**THEFT** Two teams of thieves struck 14 vehicles in Cole Harbour and Timberlea overnight on Monday.

Seven vehicles in each community were broken into.

Cpl. Joe Taplin, a RCMP spokesman, said they don't

believe it's the same thieves in both locations.

The stolen items were mostly in plain view, he said. The list includes: Mac passes, sunglasses, stereo faceplates and a Tim Hortons gift card.

Lundy Drive, Brian Drive

and Hiramdale Crescent were targeted in Cole Harbour and Oakvale Court, Rosewood Avenue and Yoon Court were hit in Timberlea.

Taplin said they didn't receive any calls about suspicious behaviour in those ar-

eas on Monday night. He said it's very important to contact police if you notice someone casing out cars or otherwise behaving suspiciously. He added it's also important to keep valuables out of sight.

JENNIFER TAPLIN/METRO HALIFAX

## Assembly of First Nations chief calls for inquiry

**CAPE BRETON** The chief of the Assembly of First Nations is calling for a public inquiry into the fatal shooting of an aboriginal man in Cape Breton by an RCMP officer.

Chief Shawn Atleo said yesterday the death of John Simon on the Wagmatcook First Nation and a subsequent police report into the shooting "justifies the need for a full and independent public inquiry."

"The family and the community will never have closure until an open and transparent process can provide a full understanding of the circumstances surrounding this tragic death," he said.

The province has rejected calls for a public inquiry, but Atleo said the assembly hopes Premier Darrell Dexter will reconsider the government's position.

Atleo was joined at a

### Investigation

• The RCMP complaints commission has launched an investigation into the shooting and the national force's handling of the incident.

news conference in Moncton, N.B., by Wagmatcook Chief Lester Peck and regional Chief Rick Simon.

John Simon was shot in his home by an RCMP officer in December 2008.

An investigation into the shooting by HRP cleared RCMP Const. Jeremy Frenette of any wrongdoing while acknowledging the officer ignored an order from a superior to not enter Simon's home.

Frenette ended up shooting the allegedly suicidal and intoxicated man three times, though the Halifax police concluded he did so in self-defence.

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The RCMP are looking for those responsible for stealing a motorcycle involved in a crash. The incident happened Monday on Highway 102 near Shubenacadie East when a Harley Davidson motorcycle was left in the median. Police say the bike was stolen before a tow truck arrived to remove it. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

## Strategy, laws needed to protect coastline: EAC

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**ENVIRONMENT** Nova Scotia has a "dysfunctional" relationship with its coastline that needs to be fixed, says a new report by the Ecology Action Centre.

Part of the problem, the report claims, is inappropriate developments blotting the coastlines, wrecking coastal habitat and increasing vulnerability to

climate change.

Another issue is that coastal jurisdiction is spread across 15 government agencies.

"The current chaotic system with its confusion and constant fighting between different government departments and municipalities encourages bullies to exploit loopholes, take advantage of inconsistencies, and generally do whatever they want," says the report, authored by Jennifer

### Report online

- The report can be viewed online at [ecologyaction.ca/content/coastal](http://ecologyaction.ca/content/coastal).

Graham.

The report lays out a series of recommendations.

The EAC wants the provincial government to publicly announce its commitment to a coastal management strategy. Then it wants that immediately

backed up in legislation that lays out "practical regulations to ensure effective consistent coastal management."

Also, there needs to be one overall department in charge of coastal management, the report says.

"Our coast is in trouble," writes Graham. "However, right now we have no policy to deal with that, let alone a government body that can turn policy into action."

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The P.E.I. government officially announced yesterday that Live! With Regis and Kelly will be broadcast live from Charlottetown this July.

## P.E.I. confirms Regis, Kelly going live

**It's official: Live! With Regis and Kelly is coming to Prince Edward Island.**

The P.E.I. government confirmed yesterday that the popular U.S. morning show featuring Regis Philbin and Kelly Ripa will broadcast from the Island this summer.

Four shows will be aired from July 12-15 from Confederation Landing Park in Charlottetown. The P.E.I. government will spend \$800,000 to help bring the New York-based show to the province while the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency will contribute \$200,000.

Premier Robert Ghiz called the decision to bring the show to P.E.I. "a strategic initiative to build the brand of Prince Edward Is-

land, which encompasses tourism, food and culture."

"It is an unprecedented opportunity to build awareness of the Island as a travel and culinary destination," he said.

Michael Gelman, the show's executive director, called P.E.I. "one of the most unique destinations in Canada and it's a great opportunity for us to be able to broadcast from the province."

"Charlottetown will provide an extraordinary backdrop for our brand of entertainment talk, celebrity interviews and musical performances, and we're really looking forward to showing our viewers the island's special qualities," he said.

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### News in brief

**POWER** Permanent power is coming to the Halifax North Common with work starting yesterday. Council approved the project earlier this year. It will provide concerts and the Canada Games Long Track Skating Oval with permanent power instead of a set-up and take-down operation. Crews will lay the power lines underground from the median on Cogswell Street to the Common. The work will take nine weeks to complete and will create some disruptions. Parking on the westbound side of Cogswell Street will be restricted and the

sidewalk on the north side of Cogswell will be closed. Lanes on Cogswell will also be closed at periods throughout the construction. **METRO HALIFAX**

**LOST** A Cape Breton woman reported missing by family on Tuesday evening has been found safe. Staff Sgt. Kevin Dowe of the Cape Breton Regional Police Service confirmed Brenda Marie MacMullin, a 54-year-old from New Waterford, was found yesterday afternoon on Grand Lake Road by the patrol section. She had last been seen at 3 p.m. Monday. **CAPE BRETON POST**



# Canada

**Toronto flush with pride over automated public toilet**  
Toronto's first automated public toilet has been opened by city officials at a waterfront location. After inserting a quarter or a token, a user will have 20 minutes of privacy. Once the person exits, the unit seals itself and begins a cleaning cycle. Twenty toilets will be installed across the city. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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## Halifax to greet Queen

The Queen and Prince Philip will visit Halifax on June 28 and four other cities during a nine-day visit in June and July. They will be in Ottawa for Canada Day, the Prime Minister's Office says. It's the Queen's 22nd official tour. Her last visit was in 2005. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Canadian hurt in Bangkok 'liked action'

**VIOLENCE** A Canadian writer and photographer injured during fighting in Bangkok, Thailand, is known for a spirit of adventure that often propels him into the thick of the action, says one of his former university professors.

Helen Lansdowne of the University of Victoria said Chandler Vandergrift has always had a passion for southeast Asia — and being on the front lines.

Reports say Vandergrift is in serious condition in hospital after being hit in the head by shrapnel.

"He was very much wanting to be in the thick of things," Lansdowne said from Victoria. He had been living in Bangkok for several years.

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## Elite cops probe Ottawa firebombing



A fire marshal sets up equipment in front of the firebombed Royal Bank branch in Ottawa.

The crack police unit in charge of security at the G20 and G8 summits is keeping a close eye on the firebombing of a bank branch in Ottawa.

The Integrated Security Unit says it is analysing videotape of the explosion.

"Any time this kind of thing happens, there is a need to step back and say 'Is this a one-time (event)?" said Michele Paradis, an ISU spokesperson.

"It's an isolated incident now, and we hope it stays as an isolated incident."

The ISU is a joint-forces team drawing from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Canadian Forces, and provincial and regional police.

Its goal is to protect the heads of state attending the G20 and G8 summits in Ontario and to keep the

**"We hope it stays as an isolated incident."**

Michele Paradis

host communities safe.

A group identifying itself as FFFC posted a video of the bombing online, with a message criticizing Royal Bank for being "a major sponsor of the 2010 Olympics on stolen indigenous land."

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Evidence overwhelmingly proves North Korea fired a torpedo that sank a South Korean warship in March, killing 46 sailors, investigators said early today. South Korean President Lee Myung-bak vowed "stern action" for the provocation and called an emergency security meeting for tomorrow. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# World



## Scientists claim to have cloned bull

Scientists in Spain say they have cloned a fighting bull for the first time. Vicente Torrent, a specialist in veterinary genetics, says the newborn calf, named Got, is an exact replica of a muscular, horned specimen of the type matadors face in bullfights. The animal was unveiled yesterday, a day after being born. Torrent said his 17-man team is hopeful Got will exhibit the same fierce traits that made his genetic predecessor, Vasito, such a valuable specimen. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Bangkok burning

**Buildings blazed across central Bangkok early this morning, torched by rioters after army troops routed anti-government protesters to end a two-month siege — Thailand's deadliest political violence in nearly 20 years.**

The government quelled most of the violence in Bangkok but not the underlying political divisions that caused it, and unrest spread to northern parts of Thailand.

Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva imposed a nighttime curfew in the capital and 23 other provinces and said his government would restore calm. Although leaders of the Red Shirt demonstrators surrendered, sporadic clashes between troops and remaining protesters continued well after dark.



Red Shirt protesters weep as they are told their protest must end yesterday in Bangkok.

Bangkok's skyline was blotted by black smoke from more than two dozen buildings set ablaze — including Thailand's stock exchange, main power company, banks, a movie theatre and one of Asia's largest shopping malls.

At least six people were

killed in clashes that followed the army's storming of the protest camp yesterday. With the top Red Shirt leaders in custody, the future is unclear for the protesters who had demanded the ouster of the prime minister's government.

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## BP unveils new cleanup strategy

**SPILL** BP said yesterday it hopes to begin shooting a mixture known as drilling mud into the blown-out well in the Gulf of Mexico early next week.

Engineers hope to start the procedure known as a "top-kill" by Sunday. It could take several weeks to complete, but if it works it should stop the oil that's been gushing since the offshore drilling rig Deepwater Horizon exploded off the coast of Louisiana April 20 and sank two days later.

"This is all being done at a depth of 5,000 feet and it's never been done at these depths before," said Doug Suttles of BP PLC, the

oil giant that was leasing the rig when it exploded.

The U.S. Coast Guard announced yesterday that tar balls washing ashore in the Florida Keys were not from the Gulf spill, but that did little to soothe fears the oil could spread damage along the coast from Louisiana to Florida.

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee addressed the spill at a hearing yesterday where leading Republicans including John Mica of Florida sought to pin blame on

U.S. President Barack Obama's administration. He cited Interior Secretary Ken Salazar's acknowledgment Tuesday that his agency could have more aggressively monitored the offshore drilling industry. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



**Entrepreneur, housewife, divorcee: These French Muslim women are against the veil ban.**  
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### News in brief

**ROMANIA** Some 20,000 public workers gathered yesterday in the nation's capital to protest planned government wage cuts meant to shore up the

country's ailing economy. Public workers, teachers, doctors and retirees blew whistles and yelled "Down with the lying government!" and "You

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## Comment

## Together, but alone

## Relating

**Sofi Papamarko**

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f distance makes the heart grow fonder, could living separately be the key to a successful marriage?

A few years ago, I met an elderly gentleman whose wife had recently passed away. He was moving into his late wife's slightly larger apartment, which was adjacent to his own. He explained that, while they had dearly loved one another, they preferred to have separate living spaces. They opted to live alone, together.

er. Jay Smith, a Toronto-based writer, also lives separately from her partner.

"We both need a lot of space," she explains. "Part of it is really constitutional, if you can call it that: I am a morning person, whereas Chris is not. I'm early to bed, he stays up late."

Many have raised an eyebrow at the pair's non-traditional living situation, especially since they have children (both kids live with mom).

"Most couples — and I certainly don't fault people for this — subscribe to this notion of romantic love based on possession, constant companionship, and utter codependence," she says.

"We're getting better at recognizing, as a society,

other forms of love, like love between two people of the same gender. But even then, that love is supposed to conform to the same myths: Cohabitation, mutual codependency, a sort of soulmate-ful completion."

Patrick (not his real name) is a single, 30-something professional who hopes to marry someday, but has no desire to cohabitate.

"I enjoy solitude," he says. "It's a powerful, useful 'reset' tool."

But it isn't as though his personal space is off-limits to his future wife.

"She does get a house key, and she's always welcome," he concedes.

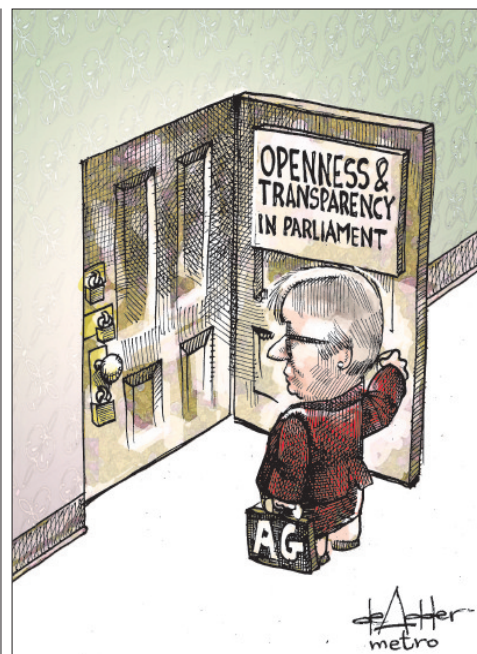
"I don't have any designs on an Andy Snitzer-style bachelor pad with frat house staples like PlaySta-

tions and Nerf basketball nets all over the place. It's really not about skeletons in the closet, which is probably the first thing a person would think. It's about my identity (and) having my own place to recharge my batteries after a good or bad day."

What it comes down to for couples that choose to live independently of one another is enjoying the best of both worlds.

"What if we look for companions on our own terms, or the terms that work best for a particular couple?" Smith asks. "Well, in my case, some uncomfortable moments on the playground..."

Sofi Papamarko is a 20-something writer based in Toronto. Her heroes include Desmond Morris and Nancy Sinatra.



See metronews.ca for Wendy Cukier's Speaking Out column — Opening your eyes to various barriers

## Worth mentioning

## EU plans to ramp up access to information superhighway

The European Commission unveiled plans yesterday to greatly increase the number of Europeans using public and commercial services online over the

next decade.

Neelie Kroes, the EU commissioner for digital affairs, said 30 per cent of Europeans have never used the Internet.

Beyond that, there are four times as many music downloads in the U.S. than in Europe, and only one per cent of Europeans have access to fibre-based high-

speed networks, she said, compared to 12 per cent in Japan and 15 per cent of South Koreans.

And Europe lags behind its main competitors in de-

veloping cutting-edge technologies, she said.

Kroes' "Digital Agenda" includes steps to improve information technology standards and compatibil-

ity, eliminate regulatory barriers, encourage electronic payments and simplify digital copyright management and licensing.

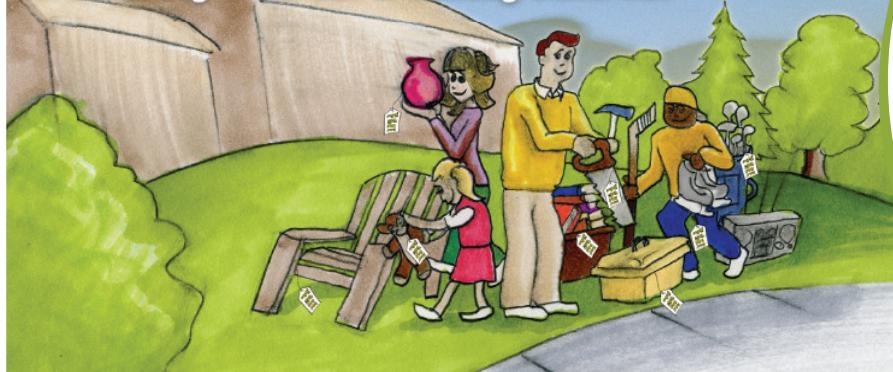
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## In brief

**TRAVEL** Canadian travel to the United States and overseas countries rose 3.6 per cent in March from the previous month, while travel to Canada from abroad declined 3.7 per cent. Statistics Canada reports Canadian residents took nearly 4.4 million trips outside of the country in March, including 3.7 million trips to the United States — a four per cent rise over February.

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## Cineplex plans more 3-D, Imax

**Cineplex Galaxy plans to roll out bigger screens and enhanced sound at some theatres across the country this year, part of a new premium-priced experience designed to tap into a growing appetite among Canadians to be immersed in 3-D movies and Imax films.**

Cineplex Galaxy Income Fund chief executive Ellis Jacob announced yesterday at the company's annual meeting that the movie exhibitor will launch the "UltraAVX audio-visual experience," which promises digital projectors, big screens and high-tech Dolby Digital sound systems.

Jacob described the larger screens as essentially running from one corner of the theatre to the other — and almost floor to ceiling — squeezing nearly every inch out of the space. "It looks like all you're looking at is screen," he said.

The rollout, which will also include larger seats,

starts with two theatres in Toronto and Calgary this summer, while further locations are expected later this year.

Cineplex launches the new plan



Ellis Jacob

amid one of the biggest upheavals in Hollywood history, as the industry tries to cater to exhibitors' fears that more people will stay home with DVDs or on-demand cable services as the window shrinks between a theatrical release and its home entertainment debut.

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## Market likely pushed RIM to settle

**LEGAL** BlackBerry maker Research In Motion likely decided to settle a patent infringement case with a U.S. technology company to avoid losing any market share to competitors Apple and Google, say analysts.

Prism Technologies has reached a settlement and licensing agreement with RIM involving authentication systems on BlackBerries such as the Curve 8330. Terms of the settlement haven't been disclosed.

The Prism patent involves the security of electronic information.

Analyst Nick Agostino said yesterday that RIM can't afford to take on a legal battle that could impact its market share. The cost of recouping any lost business would likely be greater than the cost of settling, said Agostino, of Toronto-based Mackie Research Capital Corp.

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## Regulations strict enough: Sun Life CEO

**BANKING** The CEO of Sun Life Financial Inc. opposes planned new global bank taxes many countries are considering to crack down on the financial sector after the Wall Street crisis helped spark the recession.

Don Stewart told shareholders at the insurer's annual meeting yesterday that proposed new international financial regulations could unduly punish already well regulated Canadian financial companies.

"It would indeed be ironic if Canada, a country which came through the financial crisis better than most, was to find itself at a disadvantage on account of new international rules originating from outside our country," Stewart said, adding his voice to mounting opposi-

tion at home ahead of international economic summits hosted by Canada next month.

Regulators in Europe, the United States and other parts of the world want to tax big banks and impose stricter lending and trading rules to prevent future bank collapses that might trigger another financial crisis.

They argue that cracking down on risky market practices will also cushion countries and consumers from economic turmoil and volatile stock markets.

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**12** The Blue Nose Marathon, which will be held on Sunday in Halifax and Dartmouth, is expecting a record number of participants that could approach 10,000, an event spokesman said yesterday. Last year's total of 8,073 set a participation record. METRO HALIFAX

# Sports

## Corbeil invited to camp

Mathieu Corbeil is one of nine under-20 invitees to Hockey Canada's fifth annual goaltending camp in Calgary from June 17 to 20. The Halifax Mooseheads stopper had an 8-39 record with a 3.83 goals-against average and a .883 save percentage last season. METRO HALIFAX

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# One more kick at the can

Doucette gets another chance to lead the Dry to glory

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**Darren Doucette jokes his non-retirement makes him "look like a fool," but it's a small price to pay if he goes out a champion at Beazley Field.**

The Dartmouth Moosehead Dry veteran player-coach was supposed to have his last hurrah last summer, when his powerhouse club hosted the Canadian senior baseball championship at Mainland Common and Beazley Field.

But after the Dry didn't make the playoff round and unexpectedly landed hosting rights to bring nationals back in 2010, Doucette — and longtime teammates Joel Irvine and Greg West — decided to give it one more kick at the can.

"It was something we couldn't turn down," said the 10-time Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League home-run champion. "It would have been a tough tournament to watch (from the sidelines), that's for sure."

Doucette, who called the Dry's showing at nationals "embarrassing," didn't just have a tough year on the field. Away from the park, his wife, Alana, was diagnosed with breast cancer and spent the summer undergoing intensive treatment. He revealed yesterday Alana is



Darren Doucette



Chris Head of Dartmouth Moosehead Dry swings a pitch during the Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League final last year at Mainland Common. The NSSBL season opens on the weekend.

now cancer-free.

"It was hard to focus on baseball — there were bigger things going on," said the 38-year-old Doucette, who has two young children. "Hopefully this year will be more relaxed and we can enjoy it a little bit more."

All-star pitcher Matt McDonald is a big loss for the Dry, but the club still considers its strength to be on the mound. Four-time strike-out champion Jason Bailey and former pro Steve Nelson lead the way in that department.

Reigning league MVP West, 14-time all-star Irvine, playoff MVP Chris Head and all-star catcher

## First crack

Dartmouth Moosehead Dry will be keeping a close eye on the rest of the Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League when the season opens on Friday. The Dry, which swept the Halifax Pelham Molson Canadians in last year's final, has first crack at picking up players for nationals from the Kentville

Wildcats, Truro Bearcats and Sydney Sooners. Last year, the Canadians had first crack at pickups after winning the NSSBL title in 2008. "We have to see how guys perform and who's available," said Dry player-coach Darren Doucette. "There is talent out there and having first crack will help us."

Randy Stewart are part of a strong returning cast, while Chris Gallivan has been added from the rival Halifax Pelham Molson Canadians.

Dartmouth came within one pitch — a three-run home run in the seventh inning of a 3-2 loss to Quebec — from qualifying for

the national semifinals last year, and the players realize how close they are to a fourth national title and their first on home field.

"That was with us not playing that well," Doucette said. "We've made some improvements and we're ready to take another crack at it."

# Halifax Pelham relying on pitching and defence

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**BASEBALL** The Halifax Pelham Molson Canadians have lost some batting power but don't plan on letting it slow them down.

The Canadians, who won the 2008 Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League title and posted a 3-1 record at nationals last August, are dealing with losses of west-coast slugger Bran-

don Hunter and steady .300 hitter Jay Turple.

The addition of Tyler Covey, a Hammonds Plains native who has been inactive lately after spending time at Ulster College in New York, will help soften the blow.

Canadians head coach Jim Pelham said "pitching and defence" are his team's strengths, but he

still hopes to get "timely hitting."

"We're losing a lot of punch without Turple," Pelham said. "Adding Tyler Covey, he can hit the long ball but it might take him part of the season to get going. We hope he picks up where Turple leaves off."

Pitcher Barrett Bellefontaine, shortstop Ryan Veinot and second-base-

man Adam Lucas are among the all-star talents back to carry the load for the Canadians.

The club has revived itself after five straight losing seasons from 2002 to 2006 and hopes to bounce back after being swept by Dartmouth Moosehead Dry in last year's final.

"I think we can play with those guys," Pelham said. "We're pretty competitive and they'd probably say the same thing."



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**We've all heard that bathroom and kitchen renovations add the most value when you sell your home.**

But what about other types of renovations such as landscaping?

"Freshening up is the best way to get more bang out of your landscaping buck," says Tony Colavetchia, owner of Toronto-based Edan Oaks Landscape Contracting. This means concentrating on the visual things, like planting or pruning shrubs, mulching, tidying, and removing clutter.

Figures published at the Do-It-Yourself website (check "What not to renovate" at doityourself.com) suggest that you'll get back as much as 50 per cent on "soft" landscaping costs, particularly if your plantings provide privacy.

On the other hand, many "hardscaping" features involving stonework such as driveways or walkways or a pool, for instance, pay back only around 25 per cent of what you spent, according to the website.

One exception is a patio, which can double or even



"Hardscaping" your backyard — installing a pool or stonework — only has a 25 per cent return on investment, according to doityourself.com.

triple the payoff. "Some kind of living space outdoors is important, since a lot of people are staying home to relax rather than buying cottages," says Daniel Marc, one of the owners of DS Stoneland Landscape Construction.

What is also important is to plan for the whole job. Avoid a piecemeal approach, since this can result in expensive rework and an uncoordinated look.

**How about a fireplace?**

Most people love the way a fireplace looks in their home, and having one is seen as a plus on the real estate market.

If you spend \$3,000 updating a fireplace, you'll probably get about 75 per cent of your costs back when you sell, according to

the figures published in the Do-It-Yourself website.

A gas fireplace insert is the choice of most people. "Gas will add the most value to your home because it is easy to use, and you can demonstrate it during a house showing," says Lowell Bower, operations man-



Simple privacy-inducing ivy can have a very good return on investment when you sell your home.

ager at The Fireplace Shop (thefireplaceshop.com).

Whichever type of fireplace you have, beautifying it never hurts. "If you have a brick fireplace, use marble or slate to disguise the brick and raise the value of the home."

**Windows?**

"Buyers will notice new

windows, but it doesn't make much difference in the selling price of the home," says Jimmy Melo, of JRM Aluminum and Glass.

In older homes, windows are the major place where heat is lost, so new windows can help decrease heating costs, however, he added.

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# Get ready for cottage season

## DecorMoment

Karl Lohnes

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Part three of our Summer Decorating Style series continues with style icon of India Hicks. She's the television host of Bravo's Top Design, designer of two guest houses and a restaurant/hotel in the Caribbean and creator of the award-winning Island Living Collection of fragrances for Crabtree and Evelyn. This week we discuss designing a dream summer home.

**Q** What word(s) best describe a dream summer cottage to you?

**A** There are many words that describe a dream summer cottage. **Maintenance-free**; you shouldn't

have to worry about a spill, children or sandy feet. **Freedom and privacy**; leaving the windows open at night and blasting your favorite song should never be a concern. **Relaxed way of life**; buying rustic and vintage pieces of furniture helps create an eclectic, casual effect.

**Q** What would your dream Canadian summer home look like?

**A** Not all summer cottages have their feet in the sand and their heads in the blazing sun, however I would want to establish a sense of harmony with nature wherever we were. Using natural materials like stone and wood from local sources will allow the house to blend with the environment.

Natural ventilation like windows that open, screened doors and skylights that keep the house cool at night.

Architectural elements



Style icon India Hicks gives Metro the lowdown on summer homes.

like wide wooden floor boards, screen doors that bang, tiny attic rooms make a summer house quirky and evoke childhood memories.

A few pieces of handsome furniture (not just main house castaways), a succession of family pictures linking the past with the present.

Accumulated books and vintage board games help to create a comfy place where everyone will want to spend time.

Of course the quintessential and indispensable

discussion of the day's weather will start the conversation every morning.

**Q** Should a second (summer) home cost a lot? What should you splurge on/not splurge on?

**A** Once your dream home is built, the biggest expense should be a trusted and reliable caretaker.

My dream cottages always have wide verandahs. They help expand

**"Your summer home should be decorated less formal than your city house. Good sturdy furnishings don't have to cost a lot and can last a long time."**

Style icon  
India Hicks

the inside and should have outdoor furnishings comfortable enough for afternoon naps.

Your summer home should be decorated less formal than your city house. Good sturdy furnishings don't have to cost a lot and can last a long time.

Bathrooms that feel like they have been part of the history but have actually been recently updated. It's always a dream to have an old claw-foot cast tub; such a humble luxury.

**Q** Shouldn't every summer home have one of your candles to create a getaway mood?

**A** Lots of wonderful smelling candles for long affectionate dinners, with friends and family. The Island Living three-wick candles are fantastic but so are fresh flowers and the faint smell of burning ambers from a cool night's useful fireplace.

Karl Lohnes is passionate about good decor and wants to help you have a beautiful home, no matter what your budget or style.

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## Neglecting your attic?

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Sylvia Putz

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What's your attic doing these days? If yours is just sitting up there doing nothing, take a moment to imagine all that potential living space just waiting for you.

A finished attic bedroom, in particular, adds value to your home. It's like a private and spacious suite, removed from the rest of the household. Who wouldn't like that?

And if you spend moderately, at around \$10,000 to \$15,000, you could get back up to 90 per cent of what you spent if you sell, according to information published at the Do-It-Yourself website (doityourself.com).

The problem with an attic room is that spending

moderately may be difficult, depending on the conditions in your attic.

If you're fortunate enough to have an attic that is high enough and spacious enough, is structurally sound, and hopefully, has a set of serviceable stairs, you're well on your way. If not, you're looking at extra costs, which may make the project less palatable.

If your conditions are good, you'll only be paying for the basics such as adding insulation (and this is critical in a space notorious for being too hot in the summer), framing and installing a ceiling and walls, perhaps building or improving stairs, improving windows on the vertical walls, adding wiring, plumbing and flooring.

First of all, note that if you have V-shaped support posts (called trusses) from the floor joist to the rafters, you may have to look elsewhere in your house for extra space. Trusses block useful space in an attic, and cannot be easily removed without compromising the

structural integrity of the house.

What you're looking for in the attic are strong, frequently-spaced rafters extending all the way up to the peak without interruption. Sagging and water staining probably means you will need to do repair work to fix any weakened wood, and fix the source of the leak.

If you've don't have enough head room, you can still renovate your attic, but the cost will reflect the major structural work of raising the roof or part of it, or building a window tower, or adding dormers a window that projects vertically from a sloping roof. (The cost of this work will vary enormously, depending on the specific conditions at your house. Get advice and quotes from several reputable contractors.)

Dormers also have another great advantage in that they allow natural light, a real plus in a space that does not usually contain a lot of windows. Skylights are another way to introduce natural light.



A livable attic can add some value to your home. If you've not been up to yours in a long time, perhaps now is a time to check it out.

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# Style



## Swarovski in Carrie's closet

Swarovski has added a little sparkle to the latest instalment of *Sex and the City* with two stunning evening purses. In the film, the Kiosque, \$825, (pictured left) and Power bag, \$950, (far right) are seen in character Carrie's (played by actor Sarah Jessica Parker) closet and around her room. The bags are available for purchase at Swarovski boutiques across Canada and on [swarovski.com](http://swarovski.com). **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Field of fashion

## SATC costume designer ignores trends

TINA CHADHA  
Metro World News

Patricia Field, the woman who put Carrie Bradshaw in Manolo Blahniks, tells us about her style inspiration for *Sex and the City 2* and why even her most fashionable leading lady, like the rest of us, needs to hang out in a plaid shirt.

**Q** *Sex and the City* is a very fashion-driven film, how mindful were you of trends when creating the wardrobe for the second movie?

**A** I'm not mindful of trends. I kind of run away from that because what's going to be there next season is not going to be there the season after. And movies last a long time. If you look at Breakfast at Tiffany's today, it looks absolutely gorgeous. You don't say it looks out of style.

**Q** What was the single most influential factor in the way you dressed Carrie, Samantha, Charlotte and Miranda for this film?

**A** If you find your hook in the script, you go with it. In the first movie it was that five years has passed since the TV show. I had to fill in the space of that time, and arrive at the present. They're the same people, but you know, things do change slightly. So it was in that way that I wanted to focus. I just imagined how each one was. For example, Carrie continued writing professionally. Her look was so influenced by her profession. She was a thinker, she was always analyzing everything. I thought, the funky part of Carrie would still be there, but the edges would be a bit smoother so to speak. The second movie was driven by a complete different set of circumstances. The main thing is they get invited to the Middle East by a sheik for a 10 star vacation. So this was my motivation. The anticipation of a trip that they

never even could imagine.

**Q** Do you think the girls still reflect the way women dress?

**A** I don't know if they ever did. I think maybe they set the bar or the aspiration level. I hear from people that *Sex and the City* changed the way women dressed. (When dressing the characters) I reflect the way I think NYC women dress; it comes from inside of me. It's based on a little bit of fantasy, the history of glamour and my mindset throughout my life.

**Q** I read somewhere that you mixed high and low fashion brands for this film.

**A** I always mix high and low, it's my style. It gives you a wider variety, a big-

ger palette. Why stay with one designer? Why stay with only designers? You can have it all. I mix in H&M, Topshop — Zara is a big one that I use. (For *SATC2*), I used a lot of vintage. I was yearning for chic simplicity after all the past years of post '50s and '60s geometric, crazy shapes. Carrie wore a plaid blue shirt in the movie. And it was like, 'Oh you're just hanging around. Let's put you in an old plaid shirt and jeans.' I mean you can't get dressed up every five minutes. Let's give it a breather for one scene.

**Q** Is it true that the wardrobe cost \$10 million dollars?

**A** I just read \$4 million. I don't know how much it was, but I think it was more around \$1 million. Usually I know because budget is extremely important, but it seemed like with this movie there was no stopping. The whole mood was like, 'What do you need? Get it.' And after a while I was like, 'They have an unlimited budget I'm not going to worry about this anymore.'



*Sex and the City 2* costume designer Patricia Field, right, stayed true to her trademark style of mixing high- and low-end brands in the film.

**Q** You designed a limited edition *SATC2* bottle for Skyy vodka. I can practically hear the Cosmopolitans being shaken up now as we speak.

**A** [Both brands] are world labels. [So I thought] let's take the iconic skyline in *Sex and the City* and pop in an Eiffel Tower or Big Ben, it will make it more worldly.



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# Entertainment

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## LCD Soundsystem checks out

### LCD Soundsystem

Album: This Is Happening

Label: DFA/EMI

Rating: \*\*\*\*

#### JAMES MURPHY'S LESSON

in musical fusion has always been as recreational as it's been educational. For the third LCD Soundsystem LP, he boldly named it This Is Happening, perhaps to prepare us for his supposed exodus. New ground hasn't necessarily been broken, but Murphy's post-punk/Krautrock symphonies are given added relevance by his increasingly self-reflective musings. Alluding to the "well running dry" and using up

his "desire for discovery," if this is his last album at least he celebrates it with an exclamation point like Pow Pow. Reiterating a wish to head home, he leaves us with an impeccable three-album arch to rival the heroes he's mirrored over the last eight years.

Cam Lindsay/for Metro Canada

### The Sadies

Album: Darker Circles

Label: Outside

Rating: \*\*\*\*

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CD has always been like crawling in to a dark hollow in Appalachia and



This Is Happening is LCD Soundsystem's third, and likely last, album.

waiting for the LSD to take effect. Sometimes the results could be fairly spooky. Fortunately, the Sadies have shaved most of the trip bumps off their latest, possibly finest, offering. There remains a

of folk-rock. Jangly guitars and sweet harmonies. Dark, but not scary. It's what the Sadies do best.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

### The Black Keys

Album: Brothers

Label: Nonesuch/Warner

Rating: \*\*\*\*

IS IT JUST me or do the Black Keys get better with every album?

Their latest is a tight blues rock record that feels like a cross between the White Stripes and Spoon. Danger Mouse is at the producing helm once again, and his influence is noticeable — the infectious groove on



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opener Everlasting Light has his trademark, Crazy-like sound. But this is really about Dan Auerbach and Patrick Carney's strong songwriting. They do away with some of the more psychedelic sounds of their last disc and focus on succinct, measured tracks. There's nothing over the top and the subtle riffs and soulful keyboard flourishes on Tighten Up are remarkable.

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### critics' corner

#### Tyler Perry's I Can Do Bad All By Myself

The audience for Tyler Perry's comedy-dramas turned out again in force for the theatrical run of his most recent film. Taraji P. Henson, an Oscar nominee for "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," stars as a vice-ridden woman who is made the guardian of her delinquent niece and nephews (Hope Olaide Wilson, Kwesi Boakye, Frederick Siggler) — thanks to Madea (Perry), who catches them trying to rob her home. Adam Rodriguez ("CSI: Miami") also stars. 10 PM on M1



#### Of Mice and Men

Gary Sinise ("CSI: NY") is director and star of this elegantly simple adaptation of John Steinbeck's classic Depression-era tale. He plays George, who travels and toils in California's farm country with his mentally slow but physically powerful friend, Lennie (John Malkovich). The strong supporting cast includes Ray Walston as aging ranch hand Candy; Casey Siemaszko as the farm owner's volatile son, Curley; and Sheryl Fenn as Curley's wife. 10 PM on V

**Vanessa joins Housewives**

An ABC rep confirms that when *Desperate Housewives* returns next season, its cast will include Vanessa Williams. Series creator Marc Cherry previously said he was looking for a new troublemaker to fill the void left by the demise of Nicollette Sheridan's Edie. **EW.COM**

**Crystal Castles**Album: *Crystal Castles*

Label: Last Gang

Rating: 

**THIS MAY BE** a debatable point in some of the outer circles of "art," but it's usually not a good idea to record music that is painful to the ears. Which brings us to the opening track of the new CD by this Toronto electro-experimental band. It's called *Fainting Spells*. Epileptic Seizures would have been more appropriate. It's not only annoying, it's ... well ... painful. Then there's track 3, *Doe Deer*. Whatever it is, it should have been put out of its misery. It's a shame, because this CD also contains some wonderfully sublime stuff.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada



# Bieber tries to be normal teen

**When you're a 16-year-old pop star who jets around the world, hangs out at the White House, gets chased by hysterical girls on the regular — and maintains the most perfectly coiffed hair in the universe — it's hard to be a typical kid.**

Still, Justin Bieber tries. During a recent interview, he talked about setting up time to spend with a friend. Except unlike other kids bumming around town, Justin will be flying out his buddy to spend the weekend in a plush hotel, and will hang with him only after he's done with the myriad of responsibilities that befall the hottest entertainer on the planet.

"I try to spend as much time with my friends and

just be a regular kid as I can on top of work," says Justin.

Of course, being a regular kid when you are arguably the most popular commodity in entertainment is a near impossible task. It seems as if the world has been engulfed in Biebermania: The YouTube phenom-turned-superstar has graced the cover *People*, had appearances on Oprah Winfrey, Saturday Night Live and Ellen, been a guest at the White House and sold more than a million copies of his debut album, *My World 2.0*.

It's hardly kid stuff. But you won't hear much complaints about it from Justin.

"People ask me, 'Do you wish having a regular life?' And I'm like, 'You know, not really.' ... Just regular



Despite his success, Justin Bieber is trying to be a "regular kid."

people, they're like, 'Maybe I want to be famous,' reasons Justin. "They want to be famous, sometimes I want to be just regular, just hanging out or whatever.

There's ups and downs to everything."

There haven't been many public downs for the young Canadian since his meteoric rise. He first got no-

ticed with his homemade videos on YouTube, which have collected millions of views.

It didn't take long for the music industry to notice — interest was so high that both Usher and Justin Timberlake battled to sign him to their respective labels, with Usher winning out. His down-home charm is both authentic and intentional — and possibly critical to his continued success. His 28-year-old manager, Scooter Braun, used YouTube to build Bieber's fan base for months after signing him.

"We gave it to them through the mediums they knew were real," he continues. "That's why these kids feel an ownership in him."

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## Standing up to cancer

TV fundraiser aims to top \$100M raised in 2008

**Stand Up To Cancer**, a 2008 multichannel TV fundraiser that helped deliver more than \$100 million for research, is returning in September.

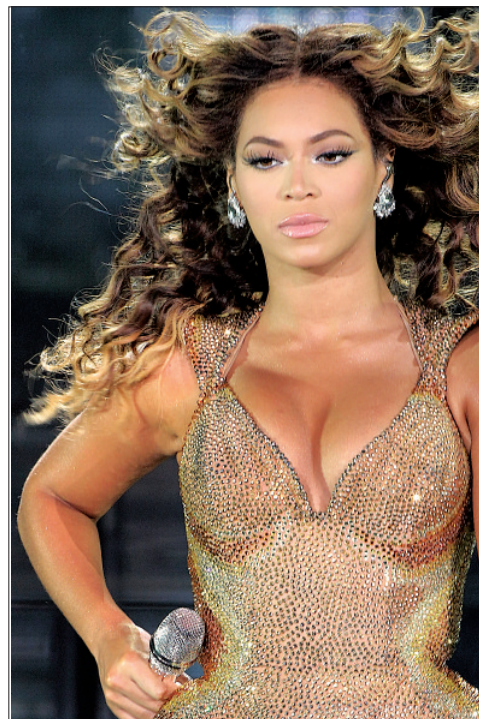
Leading the charge again is film and TV producer Laura Ziskin, who is executive producer of the show and is undergoing treatment for the disease.

The hourlong Stand Up To Cancer, to be simulcast commercial-free by ABC, CBS and NBC and cable networks and hosted by network news anchors Brian Williams, Katie Couric and Diane Sawyer, will air the Friday after Labour Day, Sept. 10.

The broadcast will address cancer's toll but, Ziskin said, will combine that with entertainment to demonstrate "we're not grim, we're very hopeful. The main thing we want to show is there's progress."

As with the first simulcast, this year's edition will feature movie, TV and sports stars and musical performers. Lance Armstrong, Meryl Streep and Beyonce were among those who took part last year, and Ziskin is working on a similarly starry line-up.

"I literally call up people I know and say, 'I'm just trying to cure cancer.' I'm



Beyonce, among others, performed at last year's event. The list of participants for this year's show has yet to be announced.

shameless in the pursuit of that goal. But this is really important," said Ziskin, who has metastatic breast cancer.

The new telecast will detail how the money collected in 2008 has been distributed, she said.

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My Meadowbrook Pork Tenderloin (\$21) is spectac-

ular. With pulled pork and chunks of pork, pan-fried cornbread, red chips in a root beer reduction with an apple herb salad on top, it simply oozes flavour. The meat is fall-off-your-fork tender.

My pal's Sambro Halibut (\$25) tastes great. Poached in butter with a tomato confit, creamed crab, bacon and asparagus spears, cooked al dente, it's a real treat.

Our only complaint is that we're too full for dessert. Our server is fun and our wine (St. Famille's Marechal Foch) is a smooth accompaniment to a memorable meal.

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## Celebrity Buzz

## Bronx was bonked in a bumper bender

**AT LEAST HIS RIDICULOUS NAME REMAINS INTACT** Pete Wentz and Ashlee Simpson-Wentz's son was in a car accident Tuesday, female-first.co.uk reports.

Bronx was in the vehicle with his nanny when the incident took place in Los Angeles' Coldwater Canyon, but was luckily not injured.

The couple's representative said: "It was a minor fender-bender, and everyone is fine."

It is still unknown what caused the accident, but the Lexus SUV the nanny was driving was left damaged on the front left side. Several hours after the accident, 31-year-old Wentz posted a message to his fans on his Twitter page thanking them for their tweets of support.

He wrote: "Thanks you guys for your concern. No one was hurt in the car accident and bx is currently back to building forts and

hiding  
dads  
cell  
phone."

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## Jackson wants visitors

**MAYBE MICHAEL TOLD LA TOYA** Michael Jackson's brother wants fans to be able to visit his grave, female-first.co.uk reports.

Randy Jackson is hoping to allow people into the private mausoleum in California's Forest Lawn Memorial Park to mark the anniversary of his death next month.

He tweeted: "I'm meeting with Forest Lawn and the City of Glendale. Although they have strict rules, I'll do my best 2 see if fans can visit & pay their respects beyond the gates of Forest Lawn, on the 25th. I will inform you all soon."

The area where Jackson — who died of an acute Propofol intoxication

aged 50 on June 25, 2009 — is buried is normally off limits to non-family members and Randy's intentions have infuriated the families of other people laid to rest there.

Legendary actor Clark Gable's grandson, Clark Gable III, told gossip website TMZ the mausoleum "wouldn't be as sacred" if just anyone could go inside.

Recently, Jackson's ex-wife Lisa Marie Presley appealed to fans to send silk sunflowers to the cemetery to brighten up the singer's final resting place.

The brunette star wrote on her website: "Greetings MJ Fans. While visiting him a few days ago at Forest Lawn, Riley and I couldn't help but notice that, while there are a few bouquets, candles and gifts

there is a very large empty space around him and in front of him that could use a whole lot more.

"I know how much he loved and appreciated being showered with gifts and flowers by his fans, I thought if whoever wants to buy just one silk sunflower each and sent it, the whole area around him and in front of him (As well as the two large empty vases that sit on either side of him) could be filled up in no time, which would be much more appropriate than what the current status is right now."

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## CelebTweets

**KYLIE MINOGUE** isn't looking to change careers just now, **KIRSTIE ALLEY** is a salesman's best friend, **OMAR EPPS** is making drink recommendations, and **MICHAEL IAN BLACK** wants to clear something up.

@kylieinoguo I don't think I will ever make a magician!!! :( hahaa  
@kirstiealley I bought these crazy fun bike trikes yesterday...three wheeled bicycles...the guy at the store said "these are gramma bikes" I said "SOLD!"  
@omarepps Attention tweekle...iced tea & cranberry juice is the official beverage of the summer! Adults, same ingredients add alcohol:-)

@michaelianblack I misspoke when I said I was the first person to land on the moon.

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## Children and Jimmy Choos

**FINDING BALANCE IN STILETTOS AND SANDBOXES** Sarah Jessica Parker admits motherhood has been taking its toll on her.

"I don't have a beauty secret," Parker says, according to Hollyscoop.

"I feel old and tired. I have children I run round after, I try to walk as much as possible, and other than that I buy every cream I love beautiful

clothes and am privileged enough to have access to a lot of them, but they're returned the next day. They're not mine."

But, she insists, she isn't complaining.

"Having my boy and now the twins, life is delightful," she says.

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## What ho, a wagon!

**IT BE TIME TO HOP BACK ON ONCE MORE, MY LORD** Jonathan Rhys Meyers is headed to rehab for a fourth time, and he's hoping this visit is the last.

"He just really wants to get better. This has been an ongoing battle for him," a source tells People magazine of the star who was reportedly banned from a morning United Airlines flight last week for being

drunk and disorderly. According to the Daily Mirror, longtime girlfriend Reena Hammer is behind his latest rehab stint.

She reportedly told him, "Check in to rehab or I'm dumping you," sources say.

"She told him to get serious counseling for his drinking and anger problems or else she will be taking a hike out of his life."

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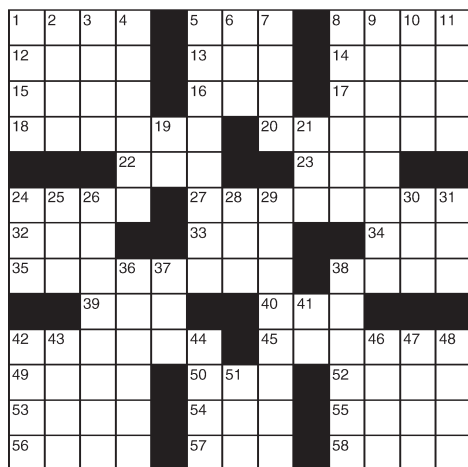
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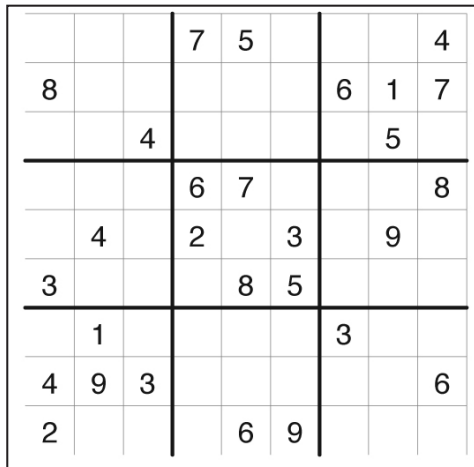
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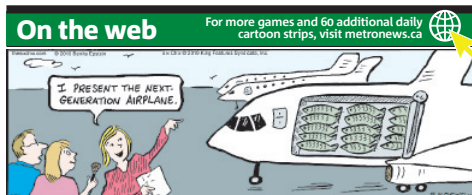
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**ARIES**  
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**  
You may not be able to explain why you think certain things are going to happen but don't ignore that little voice inside your head.



**LIBRA**  
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**  
Current aspects suggest that your respect for a certain individual is based on emotion rather than logic.



**TAURUS**  
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**  
This will be a pleasant day for you, the kind of day when everything falls into place and life is fun no matter what you are doing. But don't do too much.



**SCORPIO**  
**OCT 24-NOV 22**  
Start something new today, something you have been thinking about for weeks if not months but never quite got around to.



**GEMINI**  
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**  
You need peace of mind, and the best way to get it is to stop worrying about how much you own or earn. Focus on the things that really matter.



**SAGITTARIUS**  
**NOV 23-DEC 21**  
It may seem as if others are trying to keep things from you, and maybe they are, but don't make a fuss.



**CANCER**  
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**  
Whatever you are most passionate about in life, that is what you should be doing right now. Free the creative side of your nature.



**CAPRICORN**  
**DEC 22-JAN 20**  
With love planet Venus moving into the relationship area of your chart today you will be flavour of the month with most people.



**LEO**  
**JULY 23-AUG 23**  
Don't pay too much attention to what others are saying — they will most likely try to distract you from doing things that they don't agree with.



**AQUARIUS**  
**JAN 21-FEB 18**  
If you find yourself being nudged in a new direction you are advised to relax and let it happen.



**VIRGO**  
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**  
What is happening in your life may be part of the grand cosmic plan but you must not use that as an excuse to ignore your responsibilities.



**PISCES**  
**FEB 19-MARCH 20**  
With Venus moving into the most passionate area of your chart today chances are you will go overboard in your affections, and why not?



## This day in history

1497: John Cabot sets sail from Bristol, England, on his ship Matthew looking for a route to the west (other documents give a May 2 date).  
1609: Shakespeare's Sonnets are first published in London, perhaps illicitly, by the publisher Thomas Thorpe.  
1873: Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis receive a U.S. patent for blue jeans with copper rivets.  
1980: In a referendum in Quebec, the population rejects by a 60 per cent vote the proposal from its government to move towards independence from Canada.

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